

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant has settled the application according to PTO requirements and has given some clarifications.

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Among other differences the folds of the above document are not re-entrant overlapping folds as in document GB - A - 1 219 595 (Harp et al.). Please compare Figs. 2, 4 - 7 of the above document with Figs 2, 3, 5, 6 of document GB - A - 1 219 595 (Harp et al.). Please see also the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 8 (i.e. If, in any way, more folds are expanded, ... lose their flexibility as the time passes and do not bend to any direction.).

Therefore it is submitted that patentable subject matter is clearly present. If the Examiner agrees but does not feel that the present claims are technically adequate, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner write acceptable claims pursuant to MPEP 707.07(j).

Applicant submits also a Petition for Extension of 1 month. The corresponding fee (2251) \$ 55 has been paid by wire transfer through CITIBANK (Sum: \$ 65 - Ref. Nr. 73 31 36 00 08 - Date: November 26, 2004).



Respectfully submitted,

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